26 August 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Cabell

SUBJECT

: DD/C Activities Overseas

1. I believe the attached would emplain to our own people and to the military the objective and the "terms of reference" of my prospective TDY trip.

2. In the DD/C mission as set out in R 1-150 (attached), consultation with representatives of the intelligence agencies concerned is prescribed. I presume this consultive procedure stems from the provision set out in paragraph 3.c. of NECIB No. 1, i.e.:

"The BCI, or representatives designated by him, in consultation with the head of the intelligence or other appropriate component of the department or agency concerned, shall make surveys of departmental intelligence activities of the various departments and agencies as he may deem necessary in connection with his duty to advise the NSC and to coordinate the intelligence effort of the U.S."

- 3. I believe that the opportunities afforded me to obtain first-hand knowledge of the problems involved and community viewpoints concerning them would be increased if the intelligence chiefs in Washington understand the purpose of my trip and "pave the way" for me by sending appropriate messages to their field elements overseas in advance of my departure.
- 4. On the other hand, if Mr. Rissell is fundamentally opposed to having DD/C conduct its study of oversess coordination problems "on the ground" and sincerely considers it would be an encroachment on his prerogatives, we should recognize this fact of life, scrub the trip and limit DD/C's study activities to the Mashington level. Productive studies of this kind are always difficult; they are impossible if your own people are basically opposed to them. In this connection, Mr. Rissell expressed this general viewpoint in a memorandum to General Truscott when the office of the DD/C was first established, so I would imagine that he holds very strong convictions on this matter.

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